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## BEFORE THE POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Partarvilla Post Office	)	
Porterville Post Office,	)	
Porterville, MS 39352	)	Docket No. A2012-69
	)	

## PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT IN RESPONSE TO UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE NOTICE WITHDRAWING FINAL DETERMINATION

(January 10, 2012)

On January 9, 2012,<sup>1</sup> the United States Postal Service filed a notice withdrawing its Final Determination related to the closing of the Porterville Post Office, Porterville, Mississippi 39352. It states that it "has determined to withdraw its Final Determination concerning the Porterville Post Office" and "requests that this proceeding be dismissed." *Id.* 

The Public Representative does not, in principle, object to the Postal Service withdrawing a Final Determination. However, the Public Representative believes that it is in the public's best interest for the Postal Service to provide information as to why the Final Determination is being withdrawn. This will help ensure that the closure and consolidation process remains open and transparent as envisioned by 39 U.S.C. 404(d).

Notwithstanding, provided that the Postal Service no longer has any current plans to discontinue the Porterville Post Office, the Public Representative does not oppose the Postal Service withdrawing its final determination or the Commission dismissing this case. If the Commission does dismiss this case, the Public

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> United States Postal Service Notice Withdrawing Final Determination, January 9, 2012.

Representative requests that the Commission make any such dismissal of this case without prejudice to the petitioners.

Respectfully Submitted,

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